

# Data assimilation of photosynthetic light-use efficiency using multi-angular satellite data

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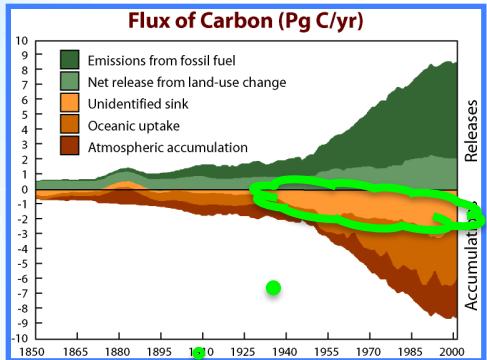
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# CARBON, WATER & ENERGY CYCLE

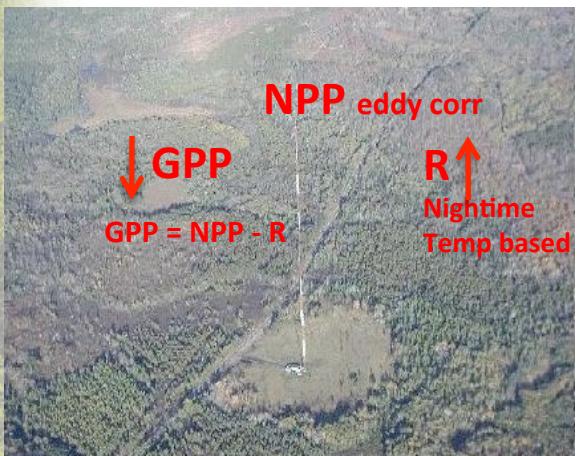
## CARBON CYCLE



Net Primary Production  
 $NPP = GPP - \text{Respiration}$

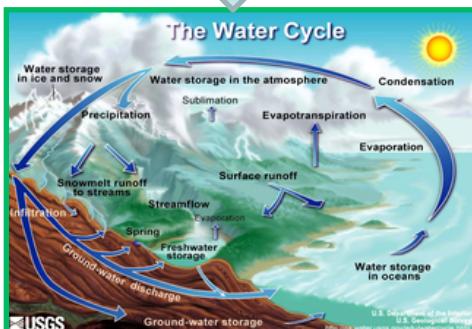
$$R = GPP - NPP$$

spectral      eddy corr



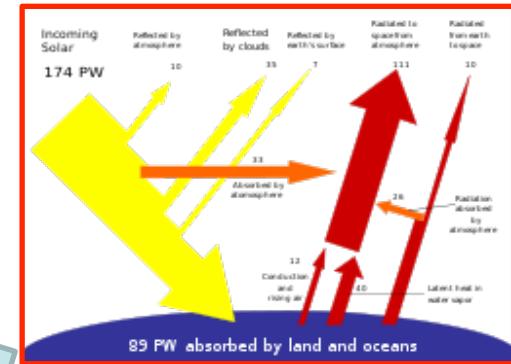
PHOTOSYNTHETIC RATE  
 Gross Primary Production  
 $GPP = PAR \times F_{\text{par}} \times \epsilon$

Evapotranspiration  
 $ET = \text{Transpiration} + \text{Evaporation}$



## WATER CYCLE

## ENERGY CYCLE

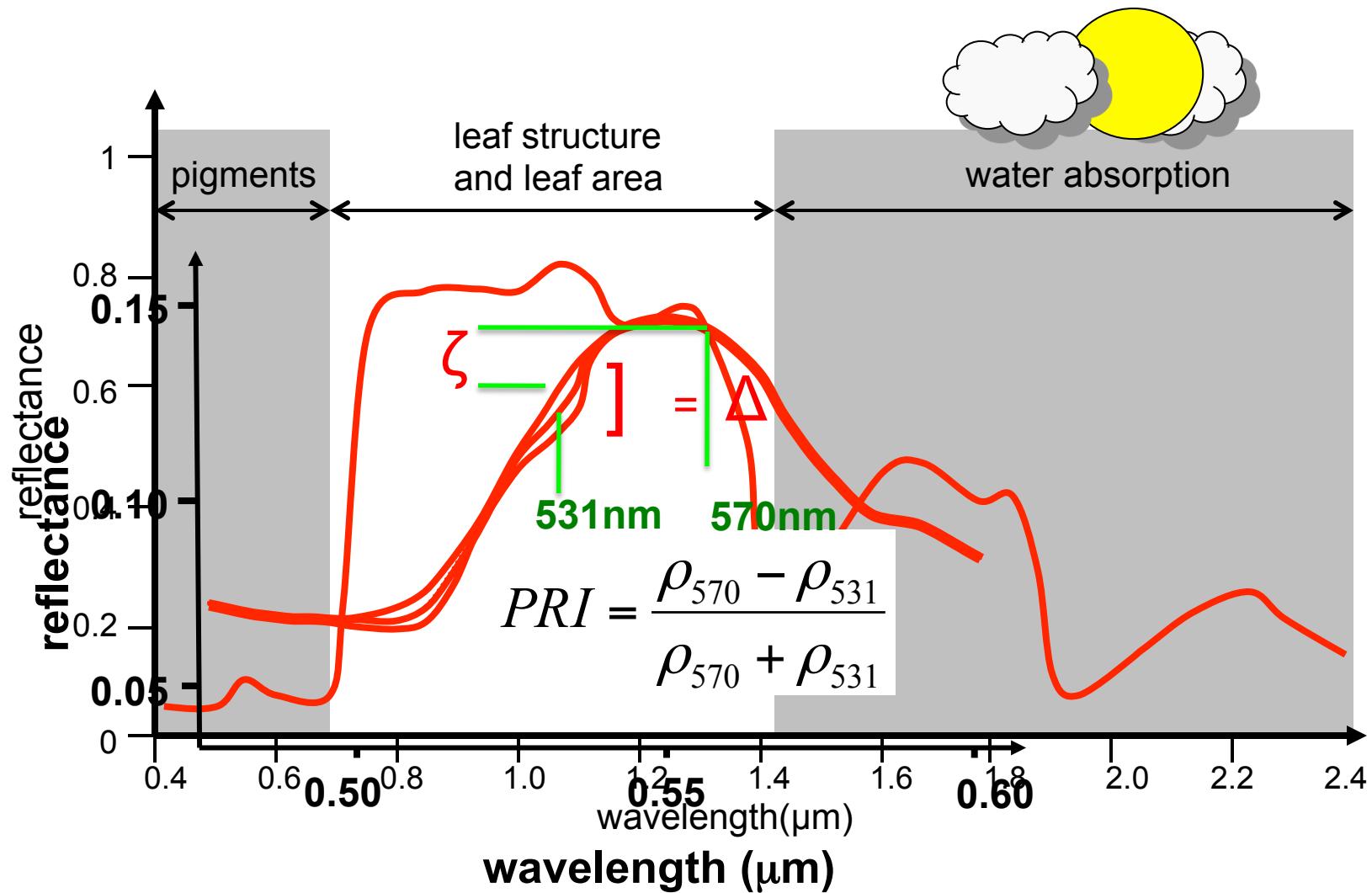


Light Use Efficiency  
 $\text{mol C/mol photon}$

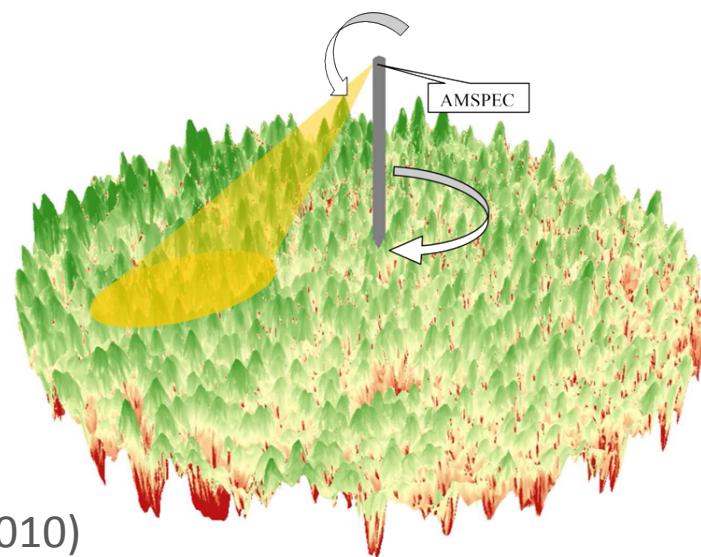
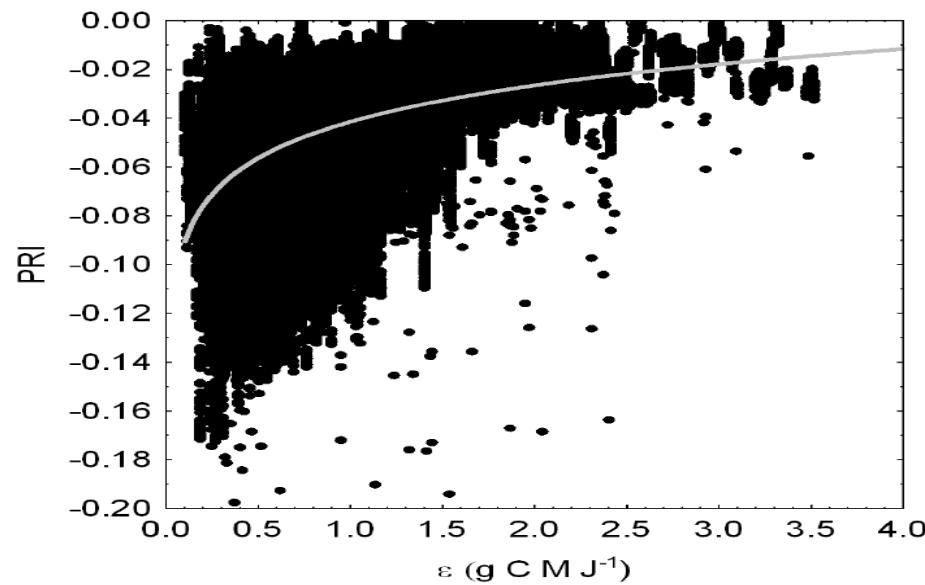
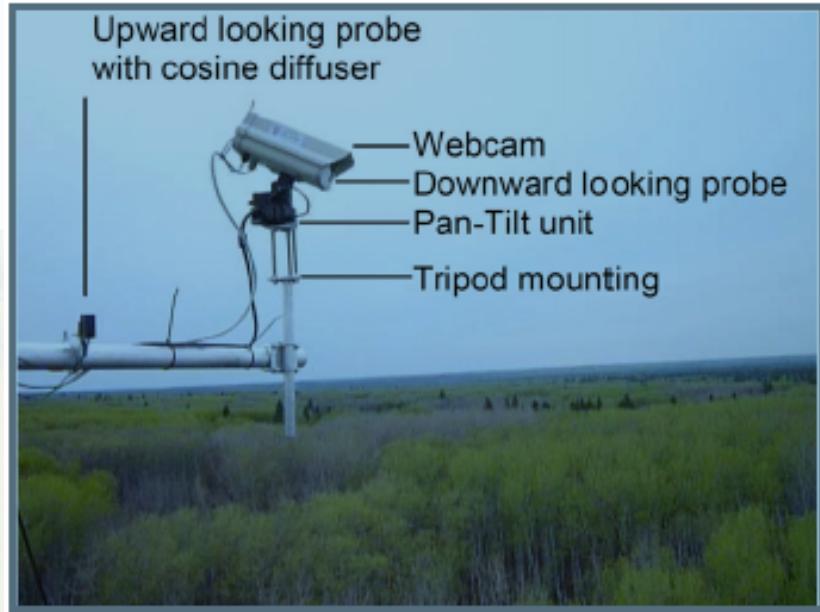
$$T \sim [e^* - e_a] \frac{g_c g_a}{g_c + g_a}$$

$$g_c = a + b GPP \times (h/c)$$

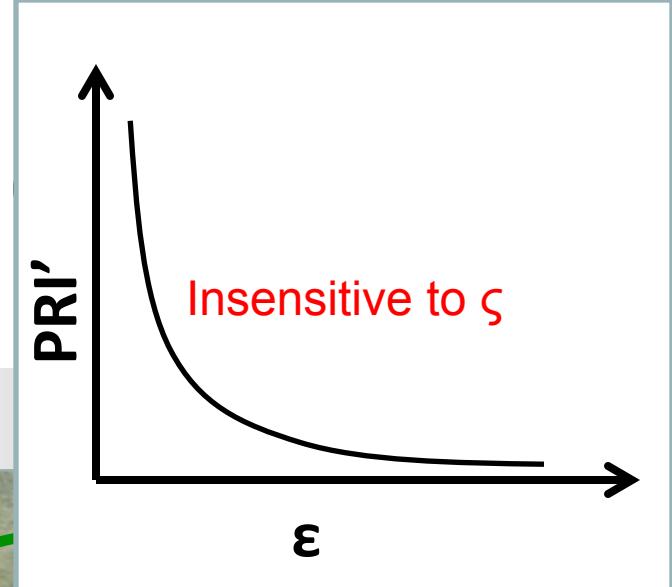
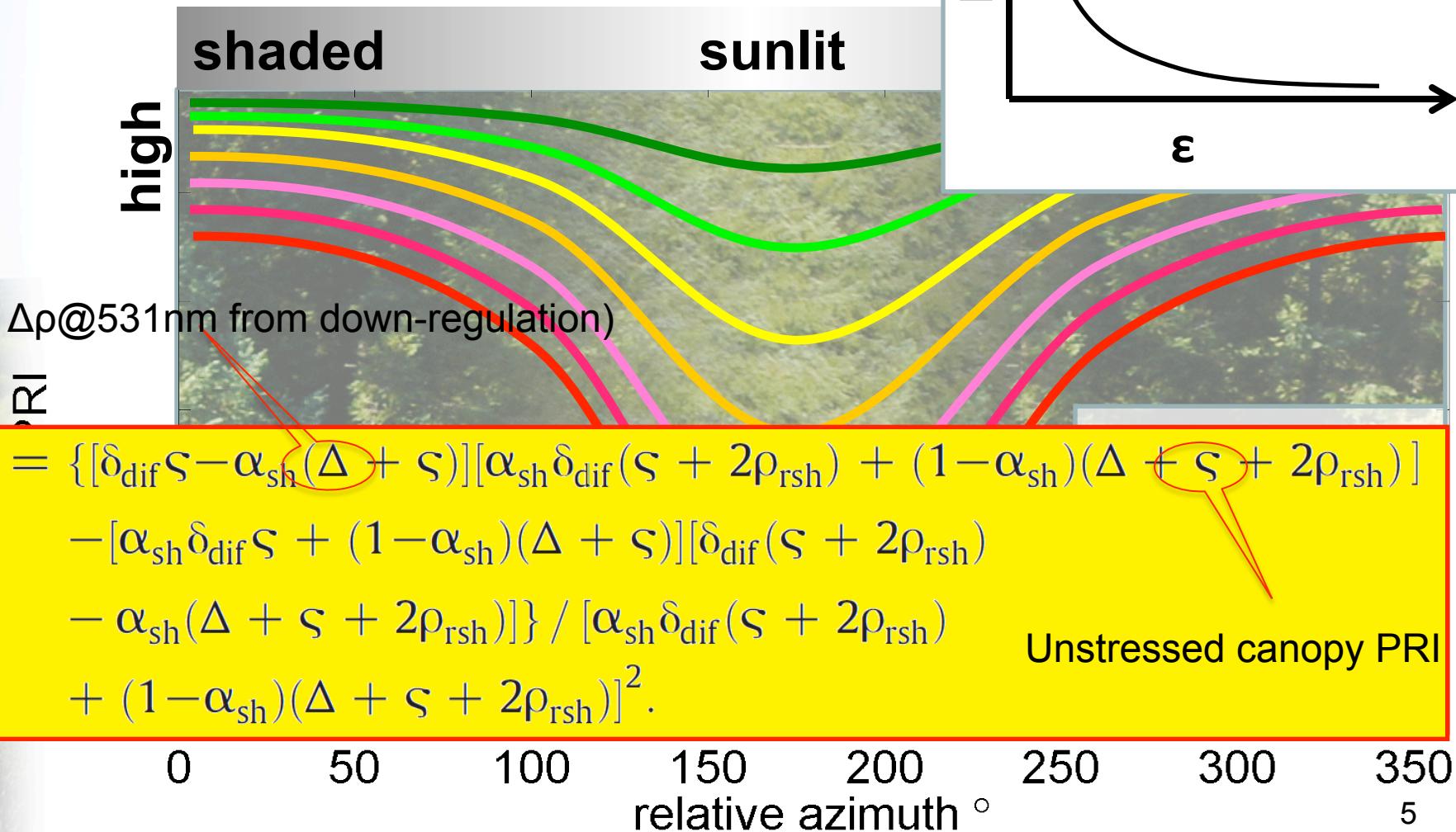
# Associated changes in reflectance



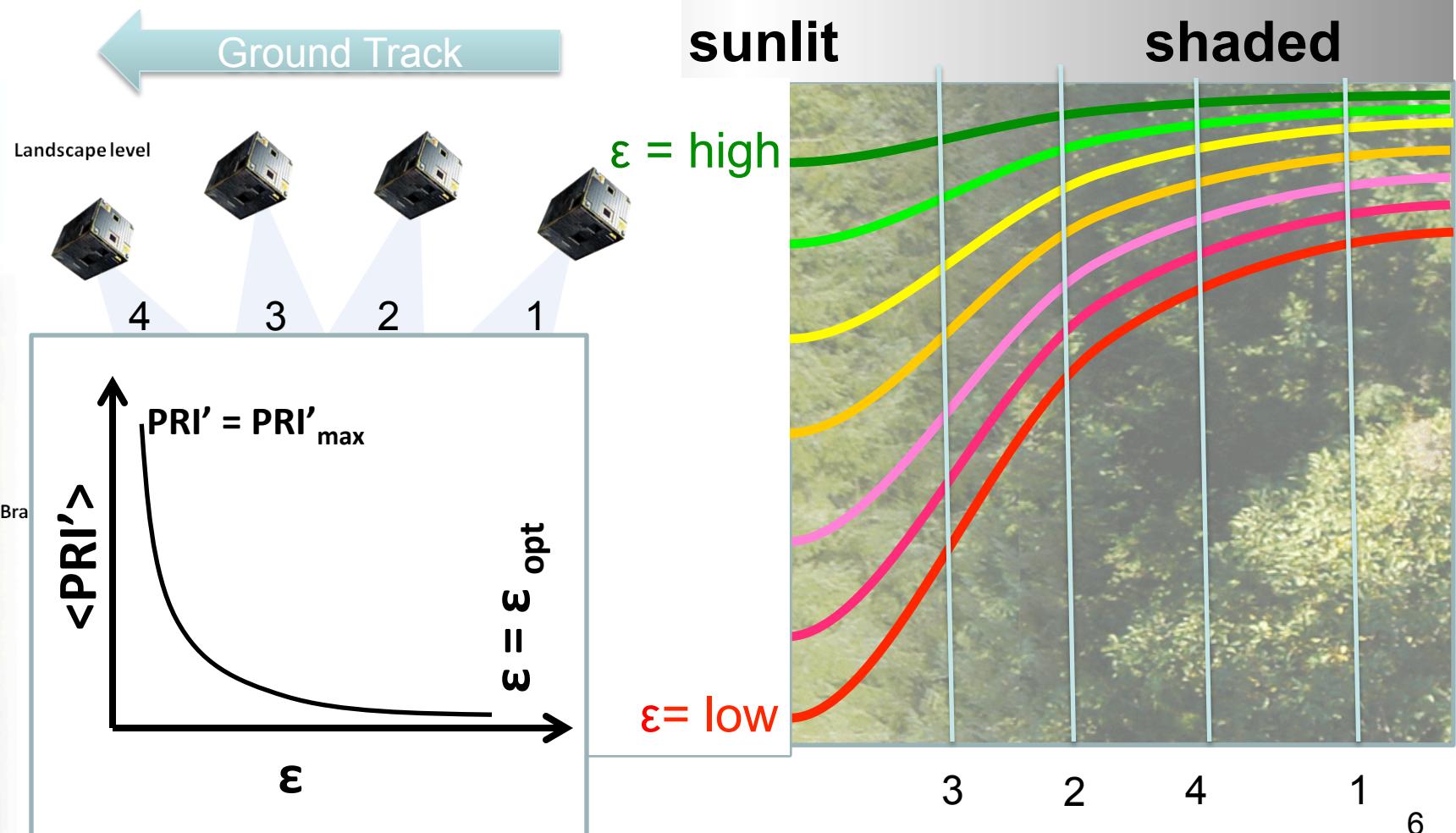
# Multi-angle Remote Sensing of $\epsilon$



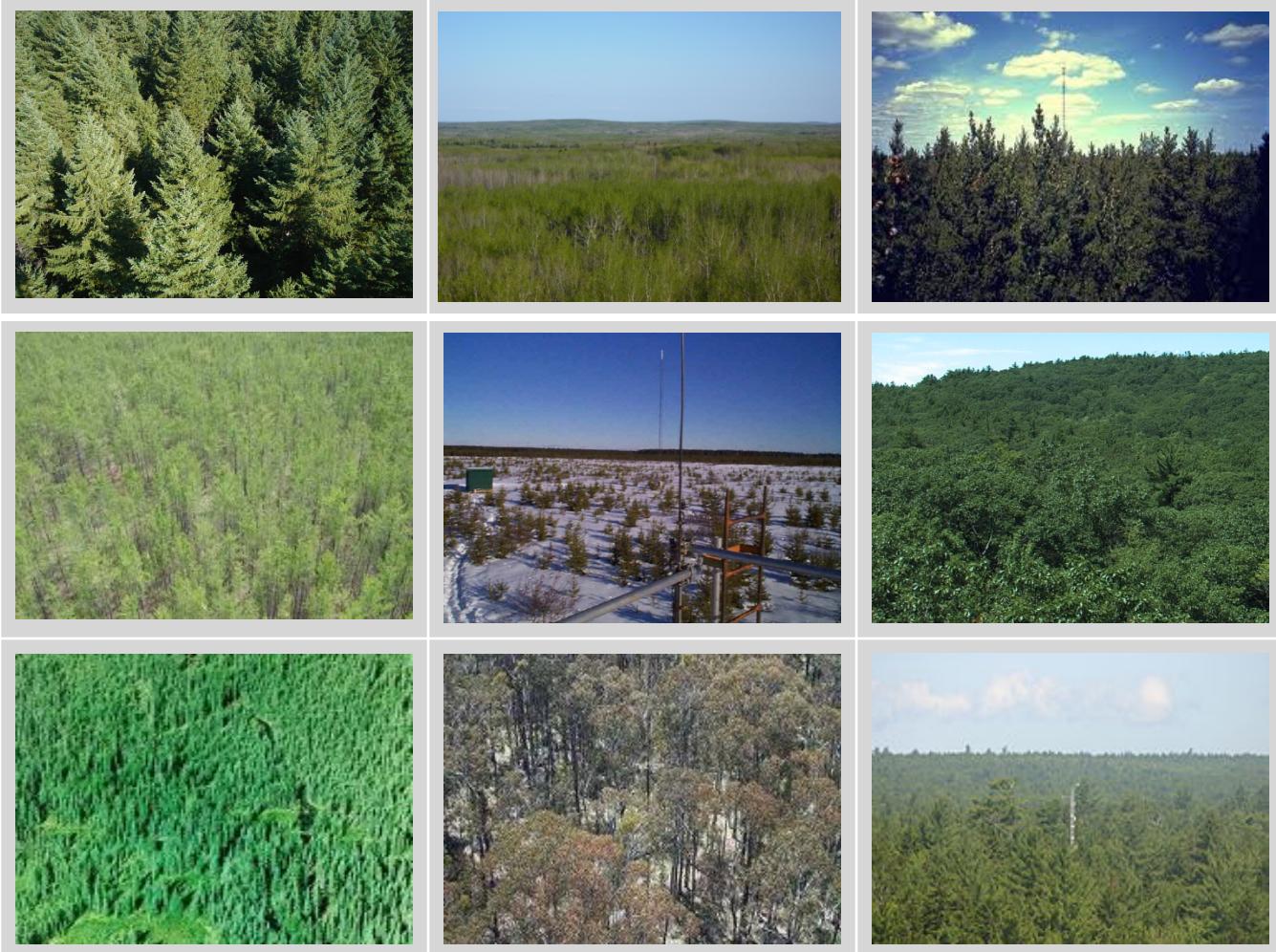
# Effects of Function on



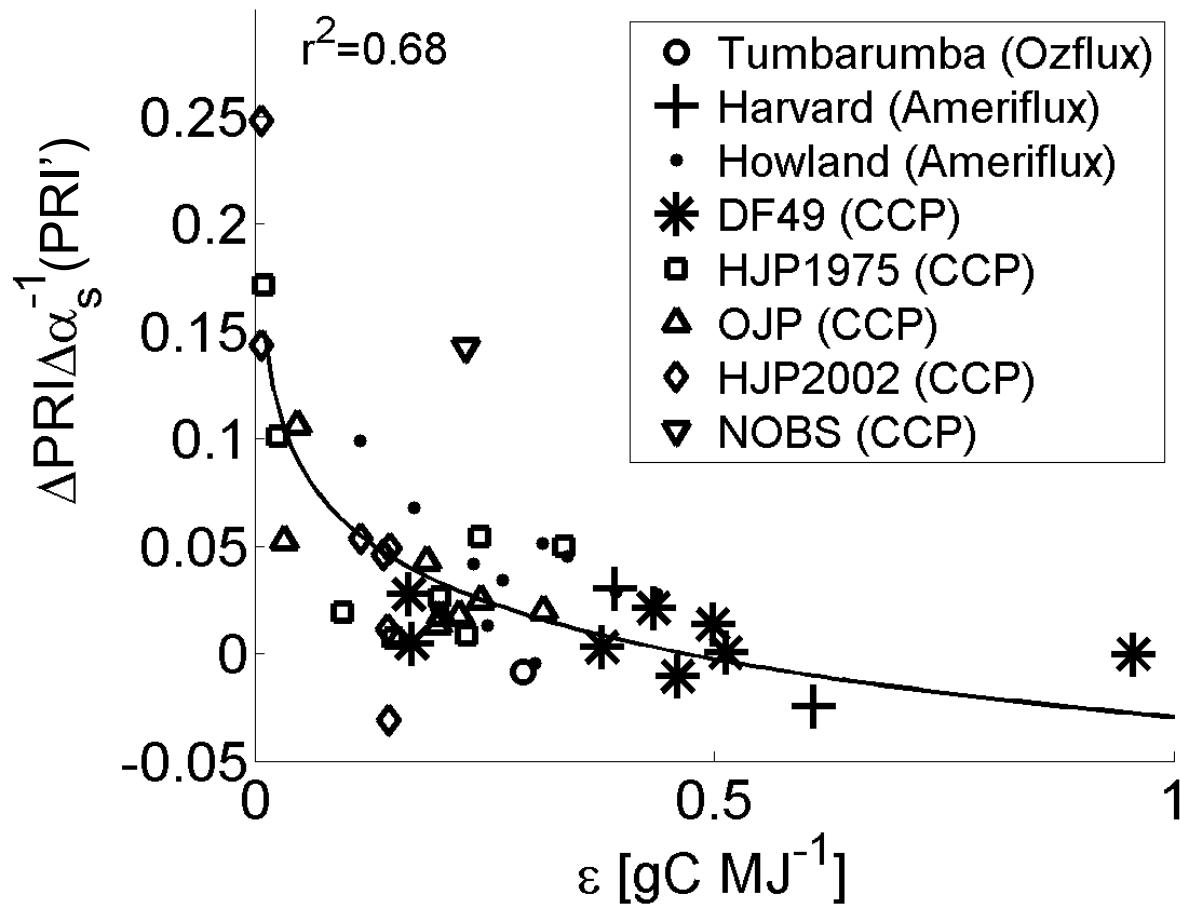
# Orbital Canopy PRI' and $\epsilon$



# Differences Among Test Sites

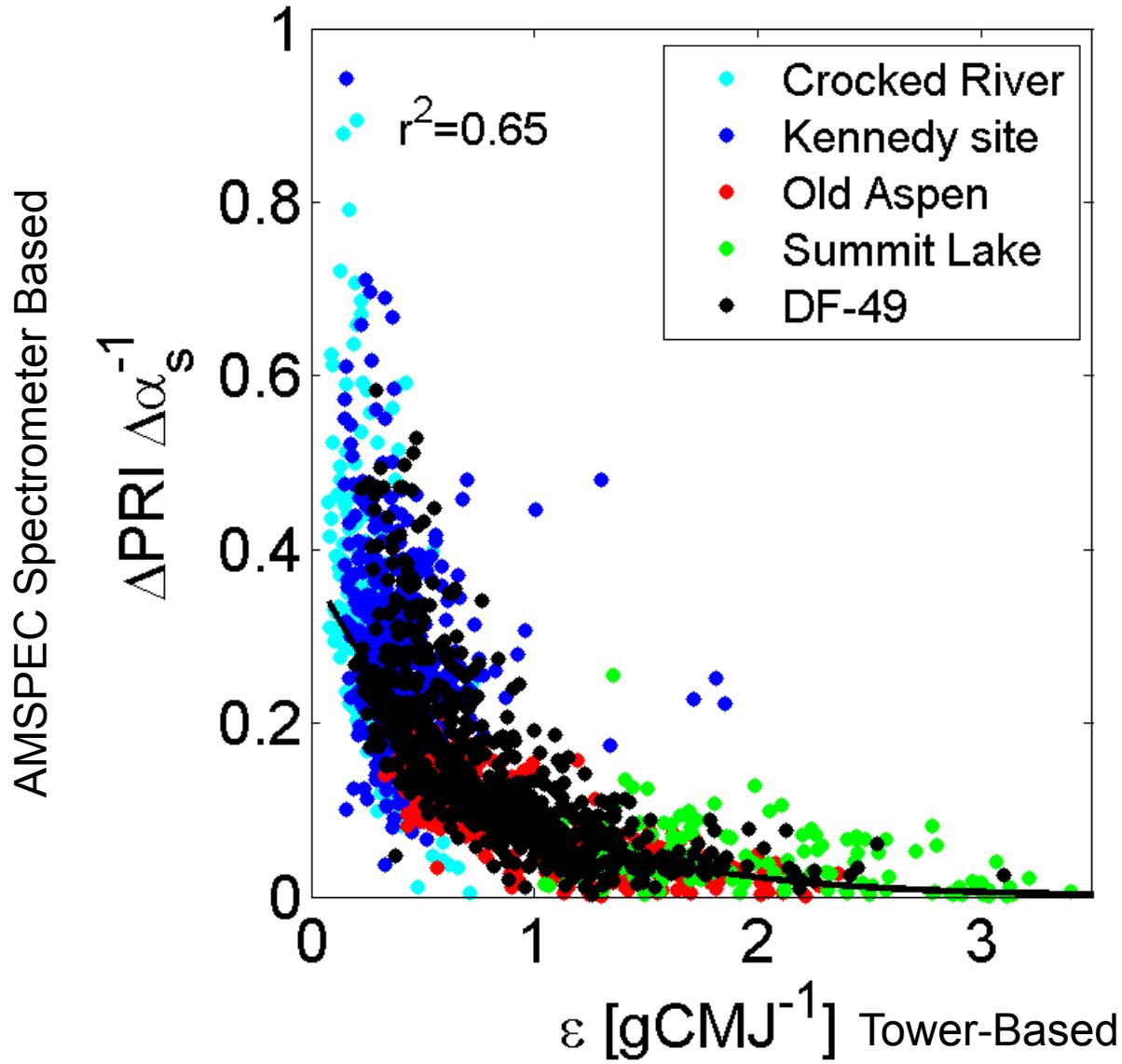


# Satellite-derived Photosynthesis



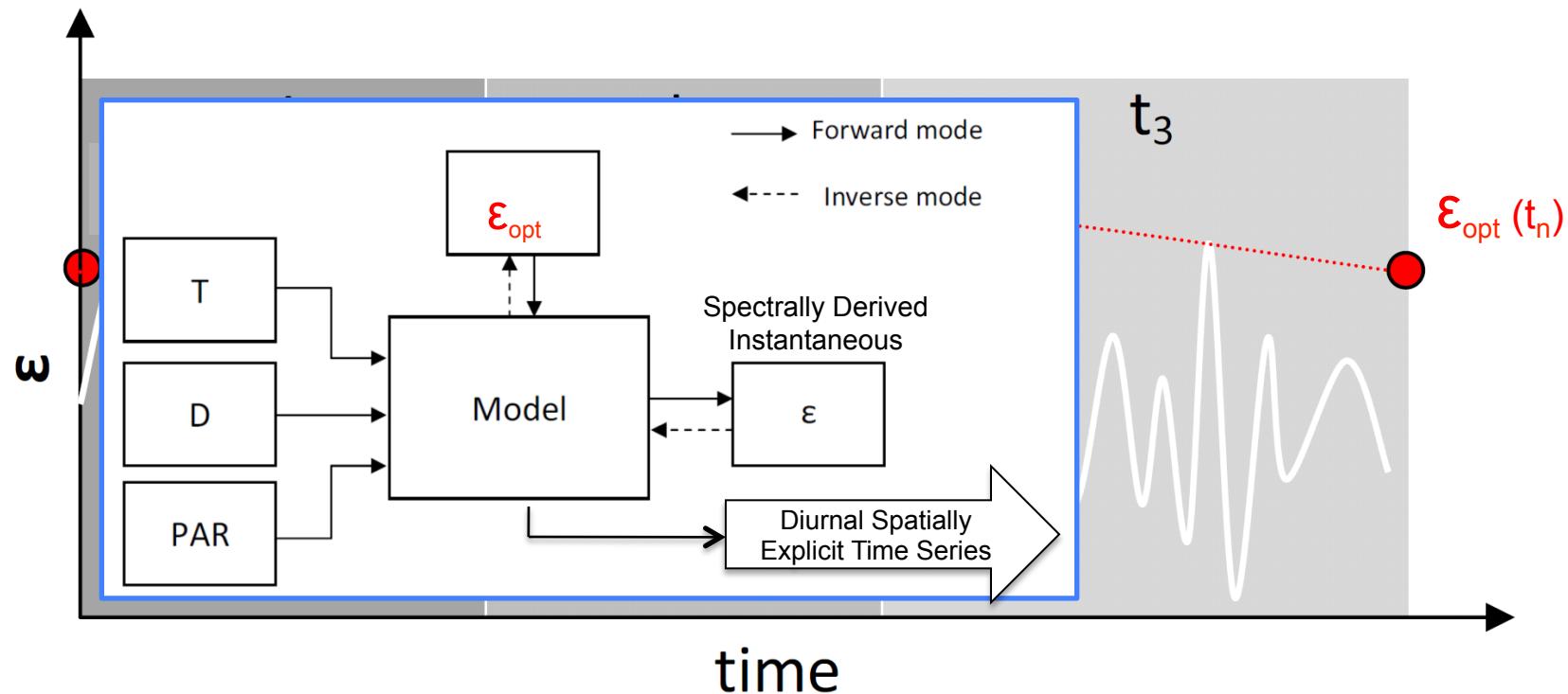
# Remote sensing of $\varepsilon$ across sites

1<sup>st</sup> derivative of PRI (wrt  $\alpha_s$ ) vs.  $\varepsilon$

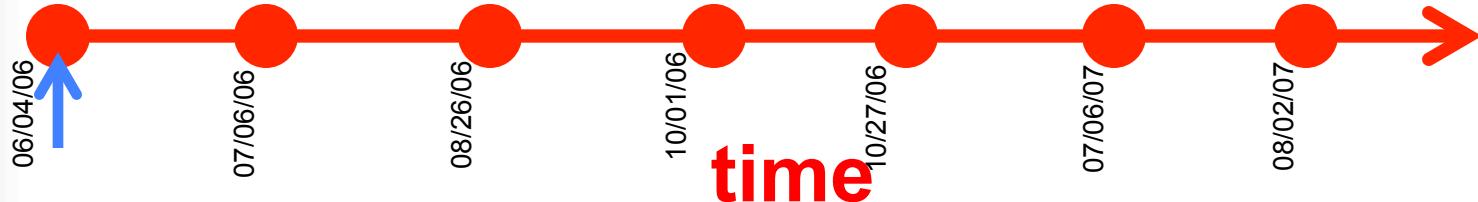
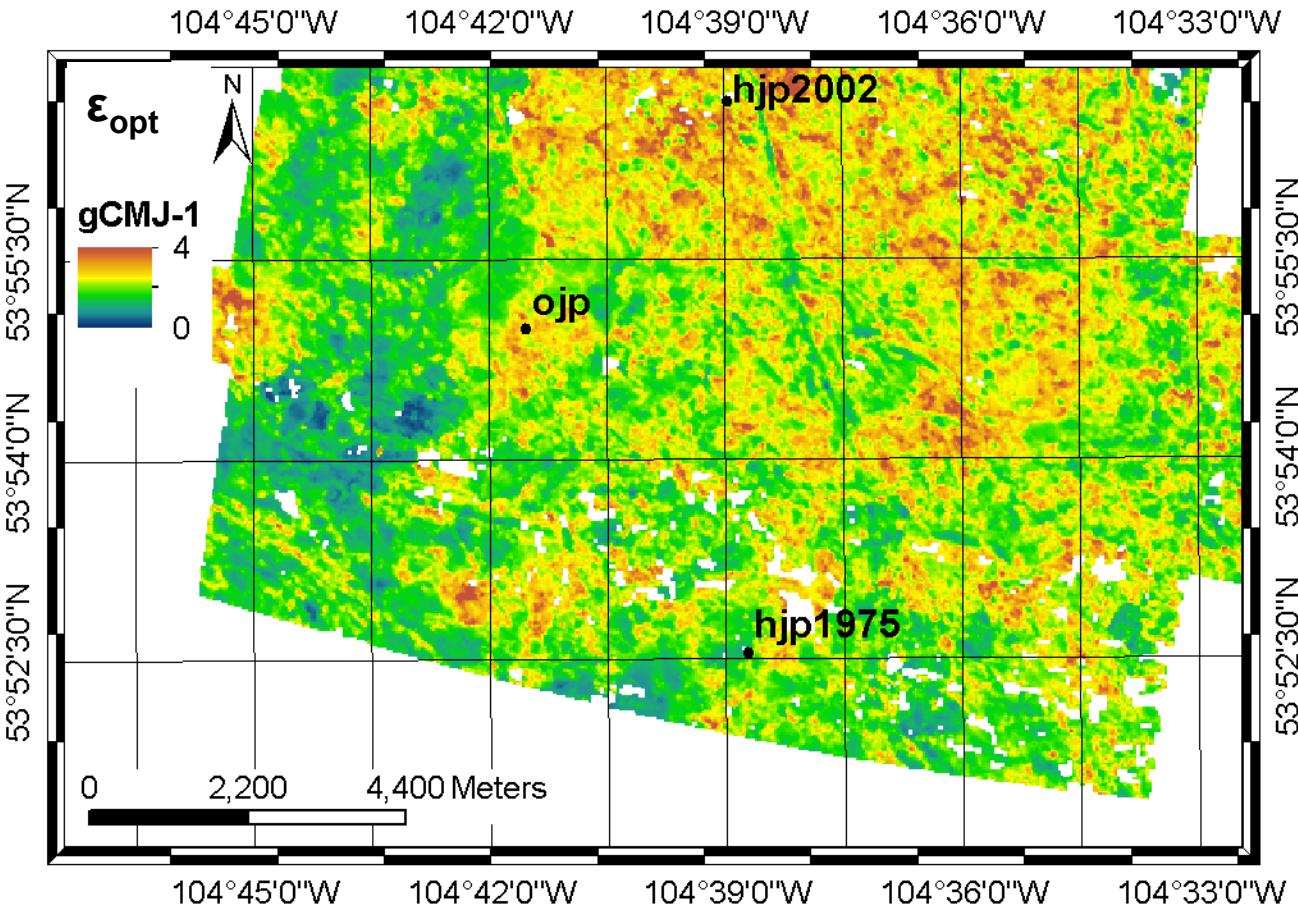


# Temporal Scaling of Photosynthesis

## Data assimilation



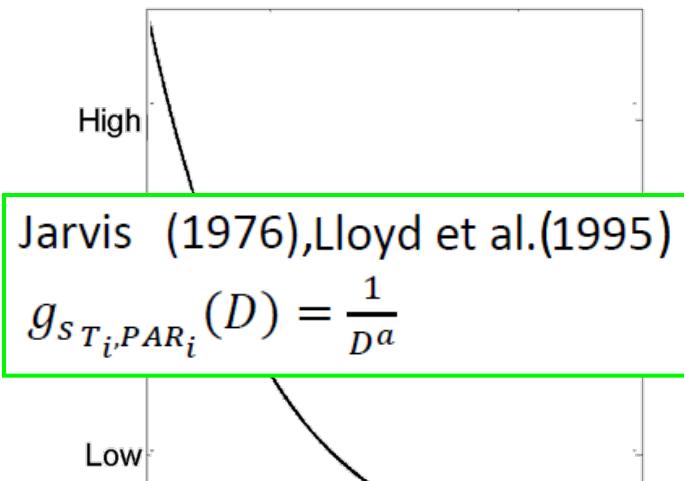
# Two years of $\epsilon_{\text{opt}}$ from CHRIS-PROBA



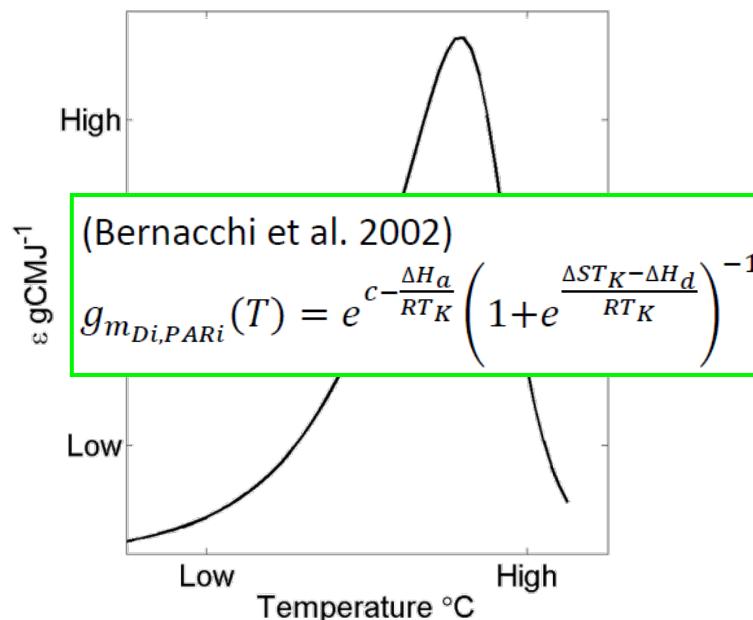
time

# Response functions

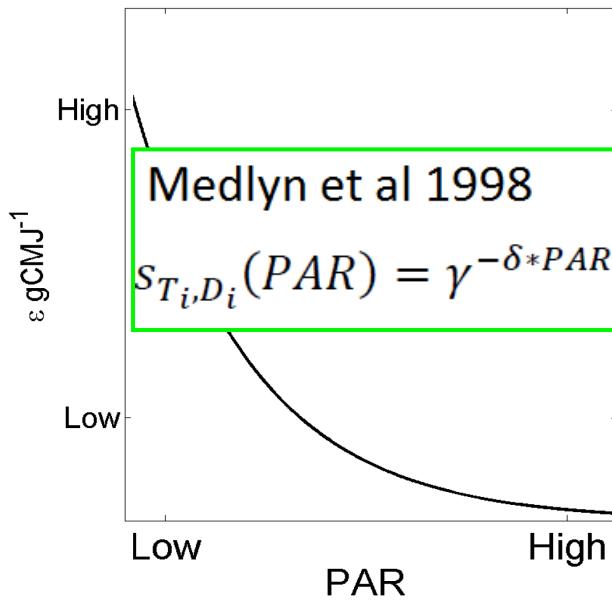
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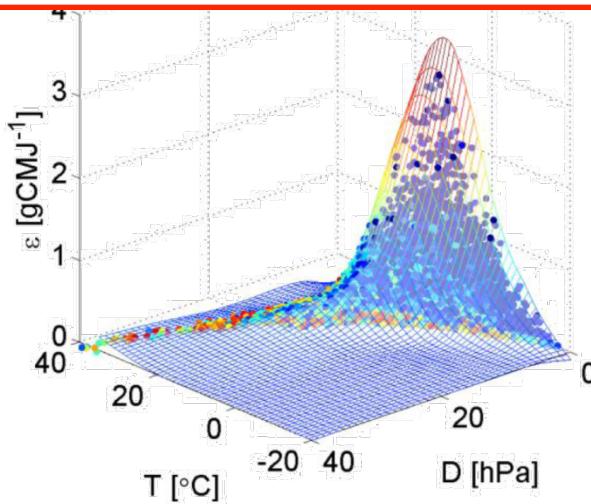
B



C

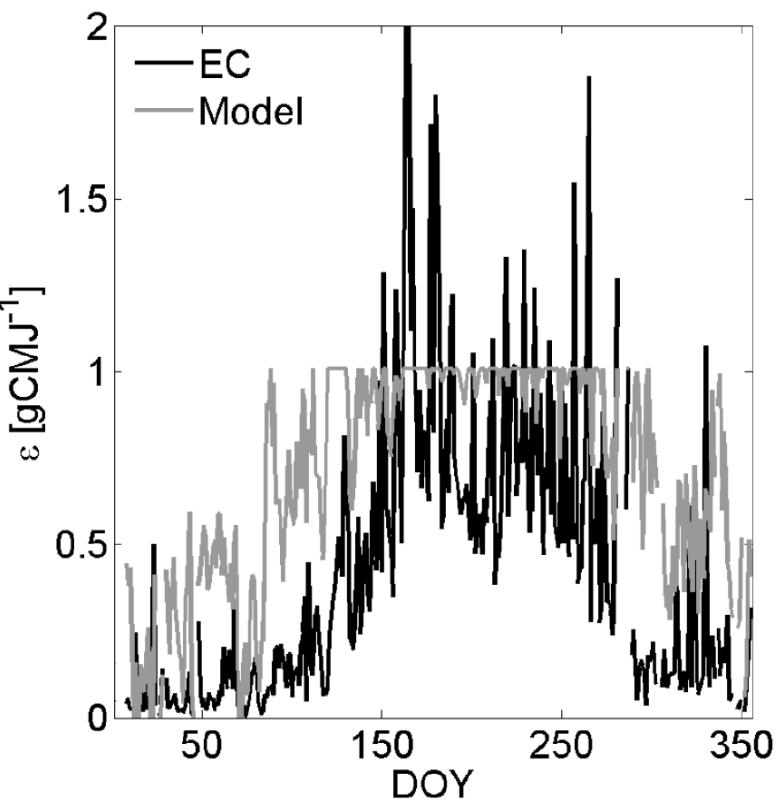


$$f(D, T, PAR) = e^{c - \frac{\Delta H_a}{RT_K}} \left( 1 + D^a + e^{\frac{\Delta ST_K - \Delta H_d}{RT_K}} \right)^{-1} \gamma^{-\delta * PAR}$$

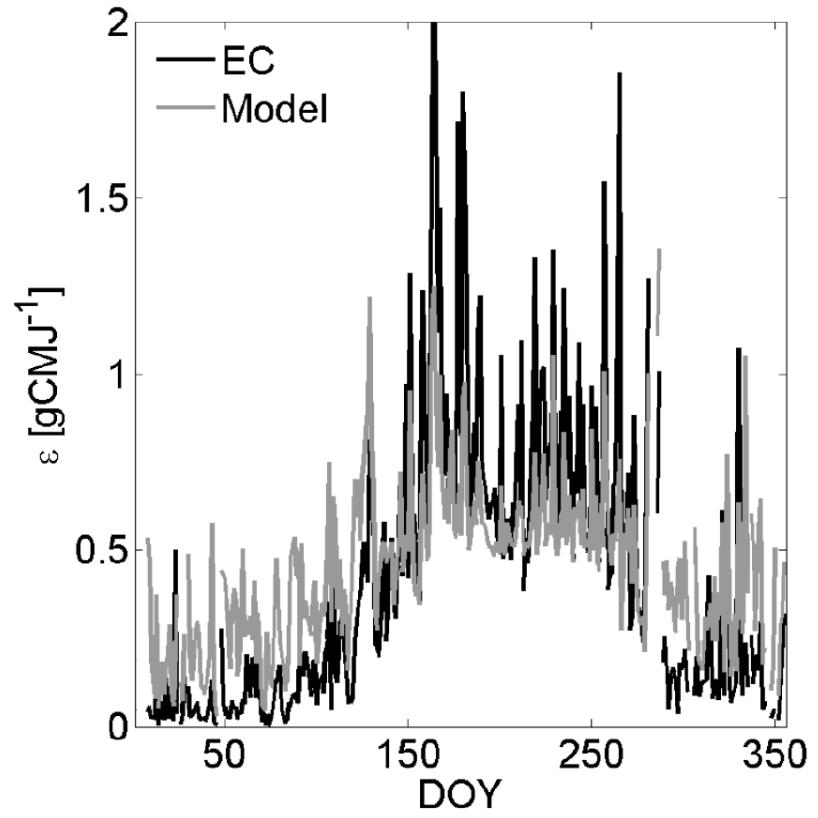


# Model comparison: GPP

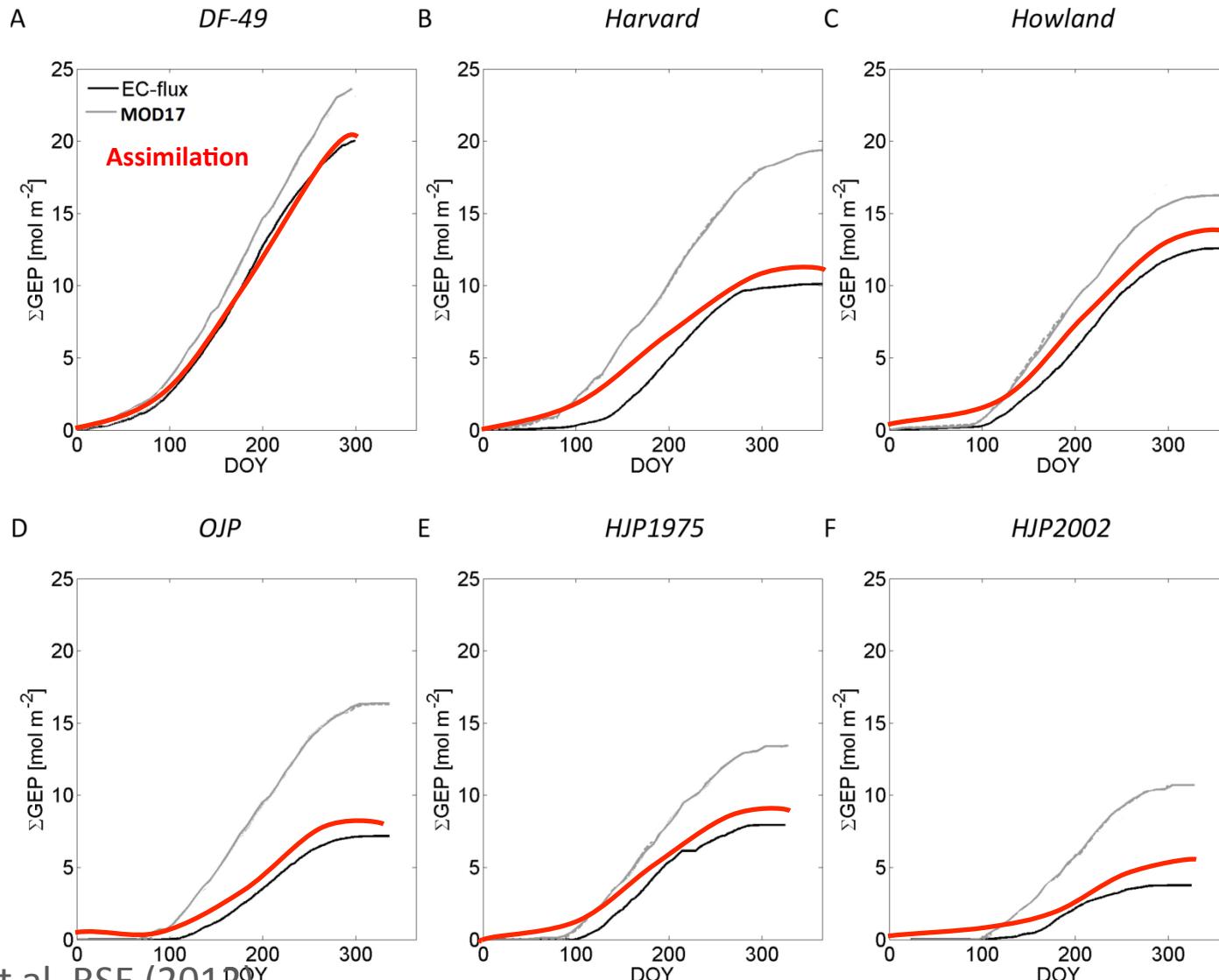
**MODIS GPP model:**  
Tower  $f_{PAR}$ , PAR, MODIS  $\varepsilon$



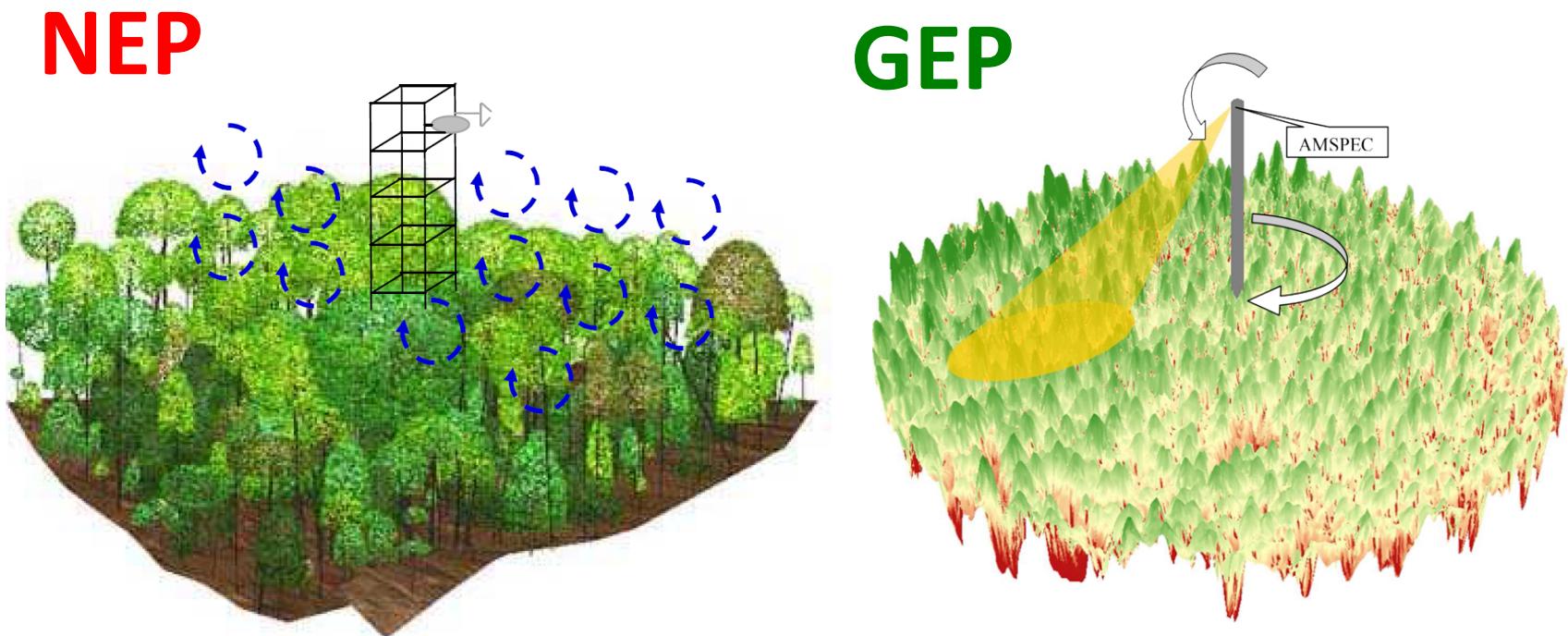
**Data assimilation model:**  
Tower  $f_{PAR}$ , PAR, assimilated  $\varepsilon$



# Comparing Fluxes: EC, MODIS, Data assimilation model



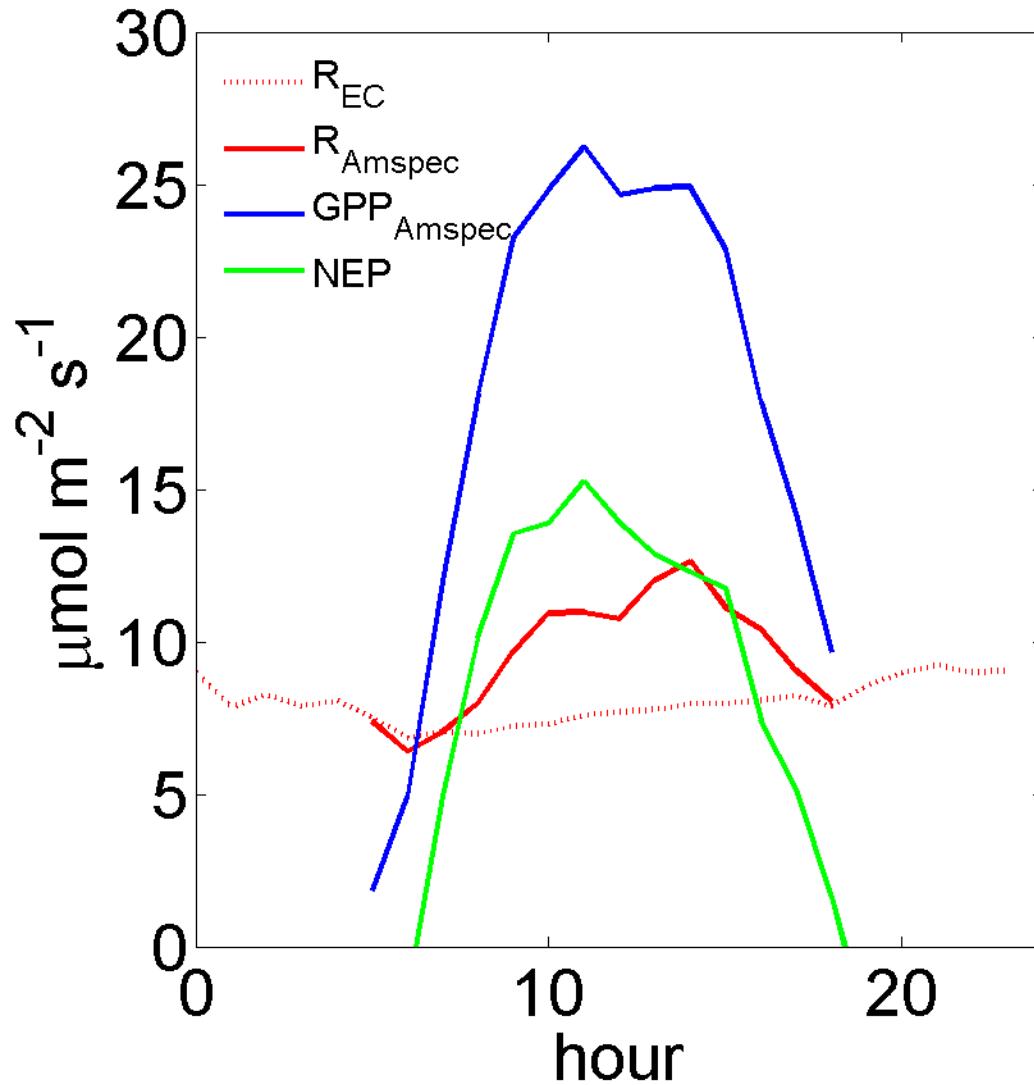
# Respiration



$$\rightarrow \text{GPP} = \text{NPP} - \text{R}$$

We can determine R independently of  $T_{\text{Soil}}$

# Diurnal variability of R



# Energy balance

H

$$H = \frac{\rho c_p (T_c - T_A)}{r_a}$$

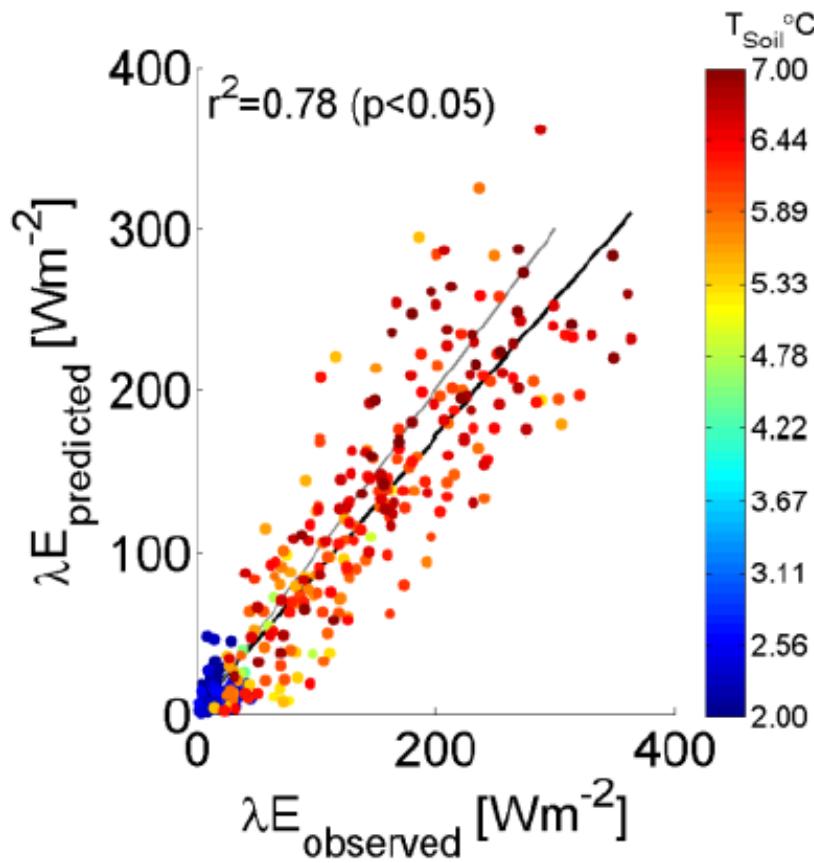
$\lambda E$

$$\lambda E = \frac{\rho c_p \partial_e}{\lambda (r_c + r_a)}$$

# Energy Balance: $\lambda E$

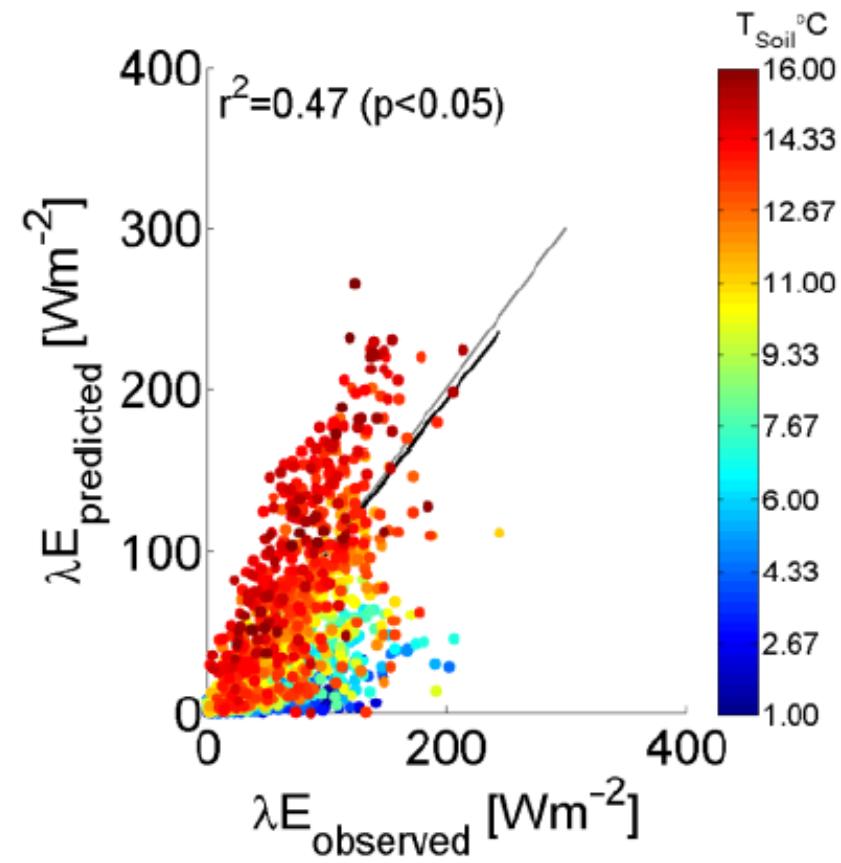
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# Energy Balance

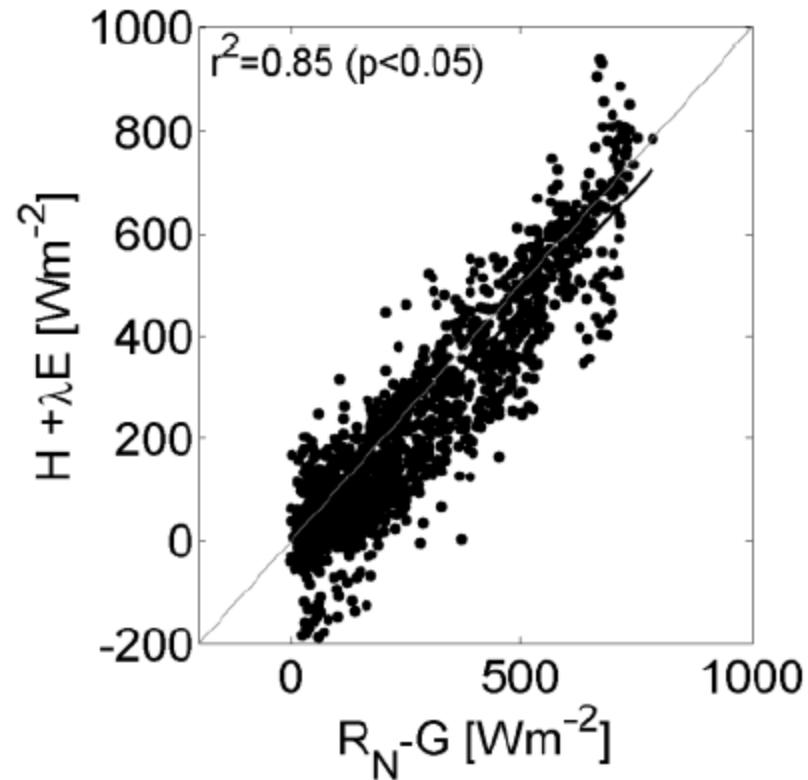
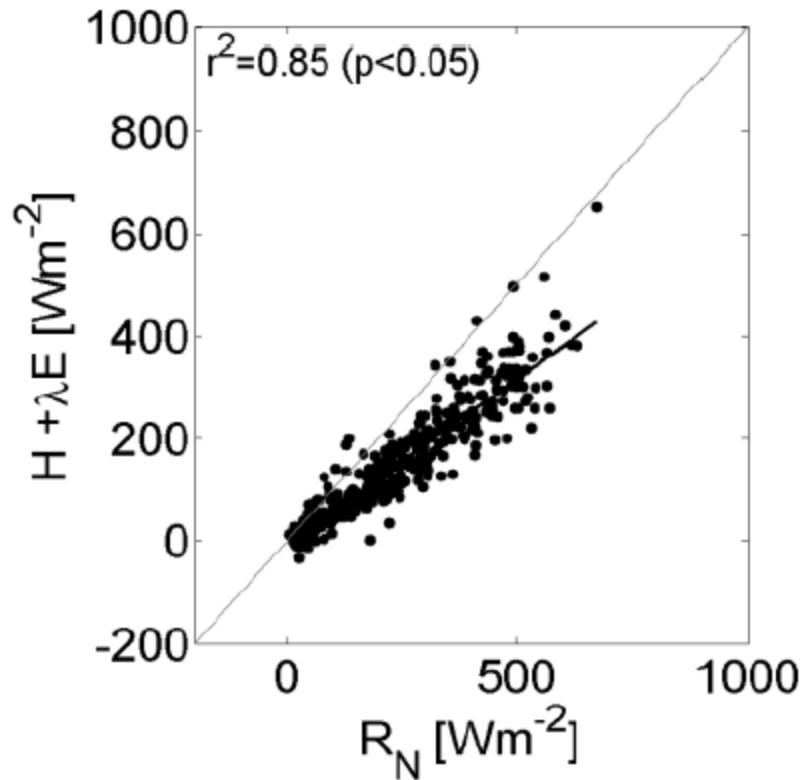
(spectral)  $\lambda E + H = (\text{tower})R_N - G$  ?

A

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B

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# Recent relevant publications:

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# Conclusions

1. PRI' quantifies light use efficiency (LUE) independent of ecosystem variations in canopy structure and unstressed reflectance.
2. Near instantaneous multi-angle data are required to simultaneously quantify PRI and shadow fraction.
3. For the first time we have an eddy-correlation independent, spectral method to quantify GPP from towers and space.
4. Used in a data assimilation mode with GPP model, our satellite GPP algorithm can provide high spatial resolution, diurnal estimates of GPP.
  - The ability to infer light use efficiency at regional scales allows us also to infer respiration independently of  $T_{soil}$  and
  - To remotely sense the key components of the surface energy balance.
5. A network of AMSPEC sites (@≈30k ea) could help rapidly refine process understanding and modeling in other ecosystems.

# Recommendations

- A wide-swath (~700km) satellite (along track multi-angle viewing) with PRI bands, chlorophyll absorption and NIR bands (for Fpar) could provide important advancements in the quantification and understanding of the global carbon, water and energy cycle.

# Spaceborne photosynthesis

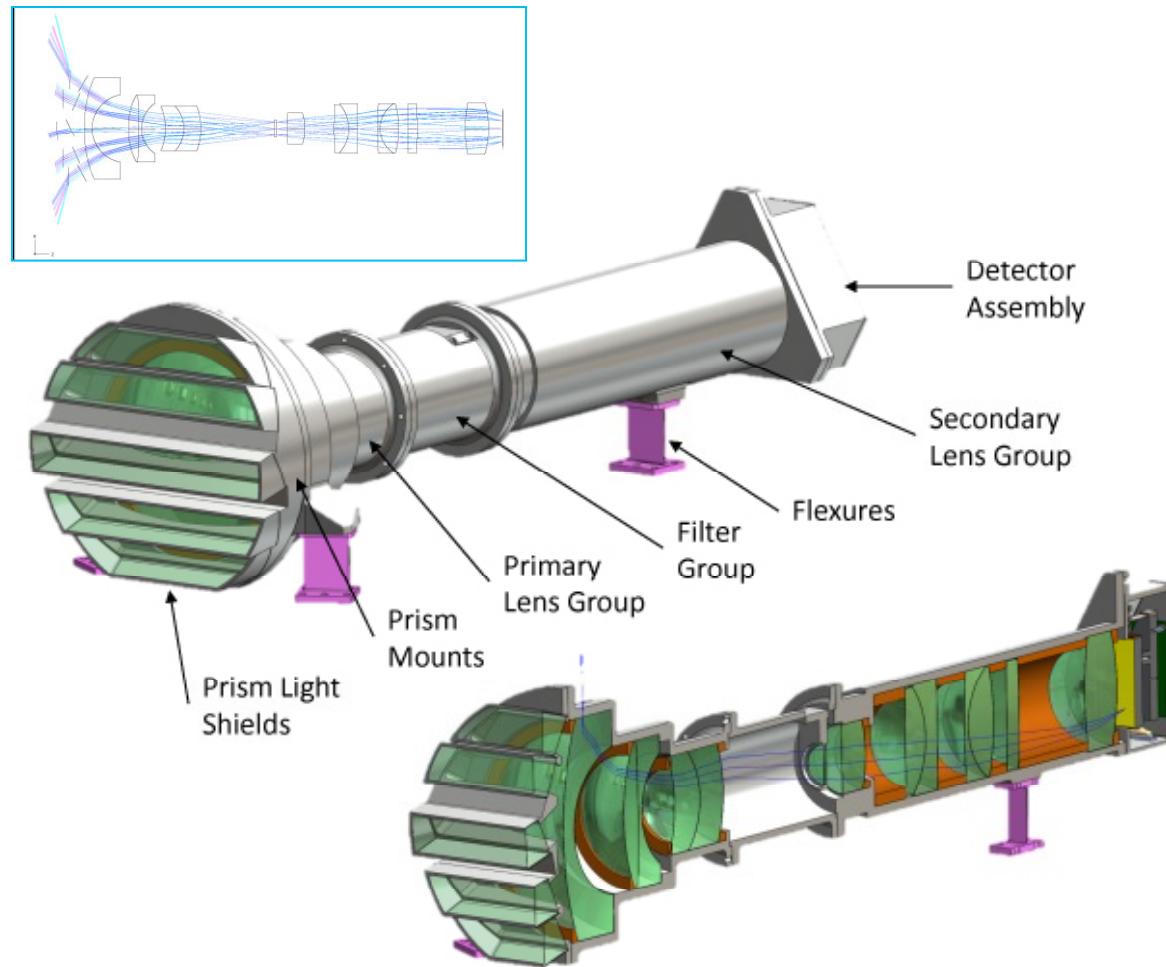


Figure: NASA Goddard Space Flight Center